



Resource Stewardship Scout Ranger Program



Brief Description

The Scout Ranger program is cooperative effort between the National Park Service (NPS) and the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). It is a component of the BSA umbrella initiative Good Turn for America which encourages young people to “Do a Good Turn Daily” (special thoughtful acts of kindness), help other people and participate in community service projects.

Outcomes of the Program

1. Gain a better understanding of the National Park Service mission and conserving the nation’s natural, cultural and historic resources.
2. Explore the national parks.
3. Practice good citizenship and kindness.

Qualifying organized educational programs

1. Ranger-guided interpretive tours
2. Junior Ranger Programs
3. Environmental education programs
4. Any other official NPS education program



Qualifying volunteer service projects

Scouts are encouraged to take part in any sustainable organized volunteer service project at Russell Cave, identified by the park site, as an appropriate opportunity that protects and preserves park resources. Existing park volunteer programs that offer opportunities to assist in long-term or short-term projects are great means to involve scouts. (e.g. removing invasive species, flowerbed rehabilitation, trail maintenance)

Requirements

Scouts must complete a minimum of 5 hours of educational programs or volunteer service projects to receive the certificate.

Scouts must complete a minimum of 10 hours of educational programs or volunteer service projects to receive the patch.